

State of Maine

Notice of Public Hearing

Department of Health and Human Services/ Office of Child and Family Services

Child Care Development Fund State Plan for the period of October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2024.

In accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 98.14(c) Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) Grant Act of 1990, and MRS Title 5, Chapter 375, §9052 a public hearing will be held by the Maine Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Child and Family Services. The purpose of this hearing is to seek public and provider input and comment on the draft plan for the provision of child care services funded by the federal Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF). The State Plan describes Maine's plan to support the State's child care infrastructure and comply with federal requirements of the CCDF Act of 1990. Also, in accordance with MRS title 5, §9054(1)(2). Application for intervention may be submitted to the person and by the method listed at the bottom of this notice until five (5) days prior to the date of the hearing.

Copies of the draft plan may be requested by contacting:

Department of Health and Human Services/Office of Child and Family Services
Attn: Timothy Dickey 2 Anthony Avenue Augusta, Maine 04333-0011
Timothy.Dickey@maine.gov or (207) 626-8658

The draft plan may also be viewed or printed from the link below:

<https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/ocfs/ec/occhs/step.htm>

PUBLIC HEARING: Wednesday, April 14, 2021 at 12 p.m. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this hearing will be conducted via Zoom. Registration can be accessed at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/public-hearing-ffy-2022-24-maines-ccdf-state-plan-tickets-147125932625>

The Department requests that any interested party requiring special arrangements to attend the hearing contact the agency person listed above before April 07, 2021 at 1 p.m.

Written comments/arguments may be submitted for consideration prior to the hearing and/or after the hearing until midnight April 14, 2021, via Fax: 207-287-6308 or by email to Crystal Arbour at Crystal.Arbour@Maine.gov